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CIA Legislation.

1. Attached herewith are two mimeographed copies of the proposed bill to provide for the administration of the CIA. This proposed bill was forwarded on 13 March 1948 to Senator Chan Gurney, Chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, and to Representative Joseph W. Martin, Jr., Speaker of the House of Representatives, for introduction. The House printed up copies of the letter of transmittal from the Director of Central Intelligence, and two copies of this letter are enclosed for your files.

2. Senator Gurney, as Chairman of the Armed Services Committee, introduced the bill on 13 March, and two copies of S. 2306 are enclosed herewith. Representative Walter Andrews of New York, Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, introduced the bill in the House on 16 March, and two copies of H.R. 5871 — which is identical with S. 2306 — are also enclosed.

3. There are also enclosed two copies of an explanation of the provisions of H.R. 5871, dated 26 March 1948, which we have forwarded to the Committees.

4. On 8 April 1948, Subcommittee #3 of the House Armed Services Committee unanimously approved H.R. 5871 and reported it to the full Committee.

5. This information may be of interest for your intelligence records.

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